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Ms. Anne Quinlan, Acting Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
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**Re: STB Docket No. AB-6 (Sub. No. 450X) BNSF Railway Company—Abandonment  
Exemption – in Kearney, Clay County, Missouri**

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

On July 26, 2007, BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) filed a Notice of Exemption to abandon service of 1.06 miles of railroad line that extends between milepost 199.07 and milepost 200.13, in Kearney, Clay County, Missouri. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 64060.

By decision served August 15, 2007, the STB granted the exemption authority to abandon effective September 14, 2007. Within that same decision, the STB stated that the abandonment is to be consummated by August 15, 2008.

BNSF has encountered difficulties with salvaging the line. Accordingly, BNSF is requesting an extension of the consummation deadline until August 14, 2009.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date-stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Ten (10) additional copies of this letter are attached for the Board's use and distribution.

Sincerely,

  
Kristy D. Clark  
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cc: Susan Odom